



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

Pilot Production Wells

FACT SHEET

A water resource strategy that includes conservation, recycled water and groundwater supplies will help meet future water needs.

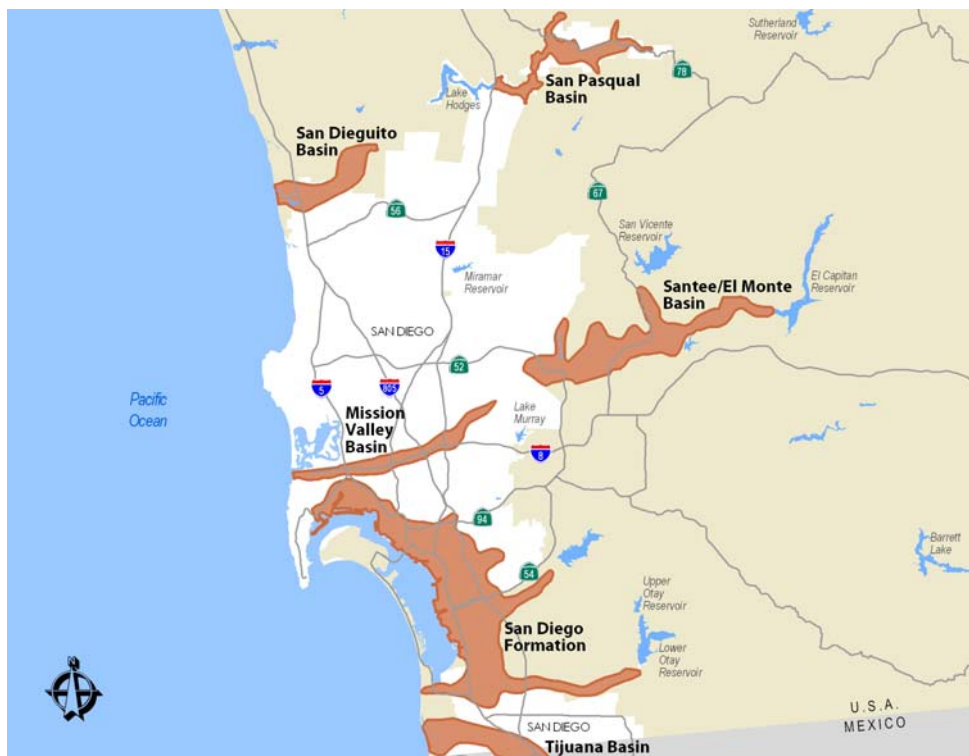


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Developing Potable Water Supplies

One of the top priorities of the City of San Diego is developing new local water supplies and storage. The use of groundwater reduces reliance on imported water supplies and contributes to a regional effort to reduce demands for imported water.

The city is developing pilot production wells to recapture water lost from reservoirs. The first production well was drilled at the base of the San Vicente reservoir in 2004, and was recently permitted. The El Capitan reservoir has been identified as the second site for well drilling.



City's Park and Recreation Sites

The city's many acres of park land rely on potable water for irrigation. Using groundwater for irrigation and landscaping would lessen the demand on the city's potable water supply. Potential park land well sites include, but are not limited to, Mount Hope cemetery and historic Balboa Park in the central part of the city.

The cost of the pilot production wells program is approximately \$2 to 3 million and could potentially yield 1,500 to 2,000 acre-feet per year.